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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MY RETURN

REF: STATE 231389

1. WHEN I MET WITH FAHMY TODAY, I TOLD HIM THAT SECRETARY HAS ASKED ME TO COME BACK TO DISCUSS UPCOMING SADAT VISIT. I PLANNED TO DEPART THURSDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 2. A MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY HAS BEEN TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR FIRDAY. I DID NOT KNOW HOW LONG I WOULD BE AWAY, BUT THOUGHT PERHPAS FOUR OR FIVE DAYS.

2. FAHMY IMMEDIATELY RESPONDED THAT I SHOULD NOT RPT NOT LEAVE UNTIL WE HAVE SADAT'S ANSWERS ON THE ISRAELI CARGO TRANSIT ISSUE AND ON THE TENTATIVE SCHEDULE. HE HAD GIVEN SECRET

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PAPERS TO SADAT ON THESE MATTERS TWO EVENINGS AGO,

BUT HAS HAD NO OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THEM WITH THE
PRESIDENT. HE HOPED SUCH AN OPPORTUNITY WOULD ARISE IN NEXT
FEW DAYS. PERHAPS WE WILL HAVE REPLIES TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY.
HOWEVER, IF NOT, HE URGED THAT I DELAY MY DEPARTURE
BY A DAY OR SO. I SHOULD HAVE THIS INFORMATION
BEFORE I GO BACK.

3. FAHMY SAID ANOTHER REASON FOR DELAYING A DAY
OR SO, IF NECESSARY, IS THAT SADAT AND HE SHOULD FIRST
HAVE A REPORT ON YOUR MEETING WITH KHADDAM. ARABS ARE
LIKELY SPECULATE MY TRIP HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH SYRIAN
FONMIN'S VISIT, POSSIBLE GOLAN NEGOTIATIONS AND SYRIAN
ATTACKS ON EGYPT.

4. I NOW HAVE AIR RESERVATIONS FOR COMING THURSDAY.
SHOULD I NOT GET SADAT'S REPLIES TOMORROW, PLEASE ADVISE
URGENTLY IF I SHOULD SLIP MY DEPARTURE BY A DAY OR
SO.
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